

Evening update

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Minister

Earlier this evening we issued a NOTAM over the protest site in Windsor starting at 5 AM tomorrow, at the request of the OPP..

Our BC region has reported in the last few minutes a group of protestors gathering at the Pacific Highway Port of Entry, and they appear to be settling in for the night. While this has not had an impact on traffic it bears watching.

Below is a useful summary update on various ports of entry from earlier this evening as of 8 PM EST we received this evening from CBSA.:

Ambassador Bridge:

- On 11 Feb, open source information shows the Ontario Superior Court has granted an injunction to the City of Windsor giving protestors until 7pm on 11 Feb to clear the blockade near the Ambassador Bridge. [Link](#)
- The Windsor Police Service issued a news release instructing protestors to disperse. [Link](#)
- Shortly after the news release, Windsor police provided notice to demonstrators that anyone involved in blocking streets must immediately cease unlawful activity or face charges, and that vehicles or other property related to the offence may be seized. Approximately 250-300 protestors remain in the area with 30 vehicles, no tractor-trailers.
- On 11 Feb, Ontario Premier Doug Ford declared a state of emergency in an effort to end truck convoy blockade. Cabinet was convened to urgently enact orders to protect critical infrastructure, such as border crossings, 400 series highways, airports, bridges, and railways. [Link](#)
- As of 1847 ET, the Windsor-Detroit Tunnel has border wait time of 15 min for commercial and 15 min for traveller traffic.

Sarnia Blue Water Bridge

- As of 1822 ET, the Blue Water Bridge reports border wait times of 3 hours for commercial traffic and no delay for travellers.

Peace Bridge

- As of 1900, 2 pickup trucks that appear to be supporters of the movement have been seen near the POE but at this time have not engaged in any activity of concern. No activity related to protest having an impact at this time.
- As of 1850 ET, Peace Bridge reports border wait times of 34 minutes for commercial traffic and 10 min for travellers.

Coutts

- As of 1500 ET, CBSA processing is still on hold and the gates are closed.
- RCMP and US BP stopped 2 vehicles last night that crossed into the USA via Border Rd. Reported to have been released and returned via CBSA Coutts.
- On Feb 10, 2022, 3 northbound CMVs arrived and were processed at Coutts POE. After being released by CBSA, they attempted to travel north and were denied passage through the blockade. These CMV's are now in CBSA parking lot.

Emerson

- Commercial traffic is actively being rerouted to Winkler, Gretna & Tolstoi, taking into account port hours of operation due to the ongoing protest North of the POE at Emerson. Commercial traffic will be rerouted to Sprague and Boissevain, the only 24/7 ports of entry, as surrounding ports of entry close for the day.
- RCMP have made contact with spokesperson and will be meeting in person at 10:00CT today. Spokesperson committed to allowing CBSA staff, local residents, and livestock through the blockade. Blockade did allow trapped trucks through after a long wait.

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